

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 09894.0016-00
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/CH2004/000562	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE September 8, 2004	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/573,029
PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED September 22, 2003		
TITLE OF INVENTION ESCAPE WHEEL		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Willy MEIER		
Applicant(s) herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A Preliminary Amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A Substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4). 		

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20. Other items or information: - IDS Form PTO/SB/08; and - Copy of Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority.			
The following fees have been submitted:		CALCULATIONS	PTO Use Only
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)		+\$360.00	\$
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.		\$	
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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =		\$	
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TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =		\$	
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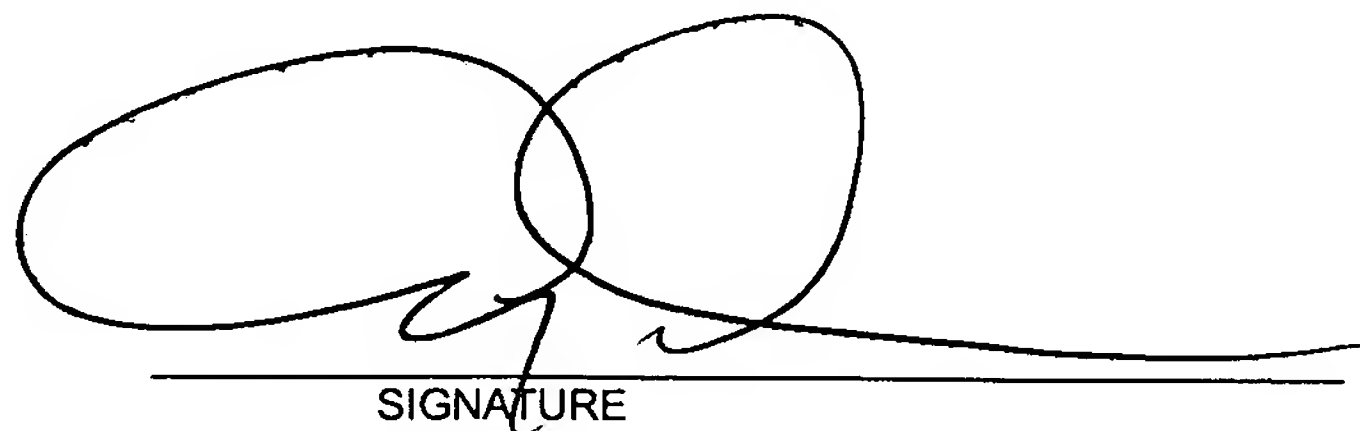
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Application No.: 10/573,029) Examiner: Unassigned
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Filed: March 22, 2006)
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For: ESCAPE WHEEL)

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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the document on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement of March 22, 2006 and before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

The document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement is the Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority in connection with related PCT International Application No. PCT/CH2004/000562. Copies of the cited foreign references in the Written Opinion were submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on March 22, 2006.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed document and indicate that it was considered by making the appropriate notation on the attached form.

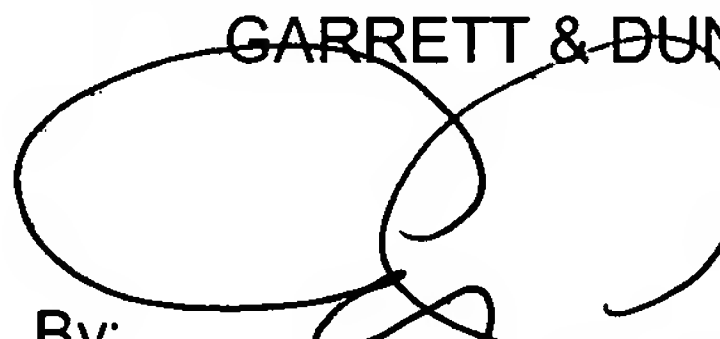
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If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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				Application Number	10/573,029
				Filing Date	March 22, 2006
				First Named Inventor	Willy Meier
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		Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority, for PCT/CH2004/000562, (5 pages).	

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